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LB 432, 620

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR COORDSEN: ...talking at this moment about how better to place this idea. But I believe the idea that's represented in this amendment, if it is worded in a way that would fit in with LB 620, is not going to have any sort of a negative on LB 620, and I believe would have a positive impact on...in the workplace in ways that right today we're not even able to predict. I know we've seen areas where attempts are made to use DNA, genetic testing to identify potential health risks for the purposes of health insurance programs and those sorts of things. I do not believe we should live in that exact of an Orwellian world. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Coordsen. Those wishing to speak to the Chambers amendment to LB 620 are Senators Tyson, Brown, Janssen, and Kristensen. Senator Tyson.

SENATOR TYSON: Thank you, Senator Cudaback, members of the body. I rise in specific opposition to the Chambers amendment for several reasons. The first reason is that this is a procedure called "Christmas treeing", where if you have a bill elsewhere or you have a purpose, you can load it onto anything that comes along where it fits at least poorly. This does. This has nothing to do with "incentivizing" businesses to come to the state of Nebraska or to make investments in the state of Nebraska. Senator Chambers' filibuster merely serves another purpose. His current problem with what constitutes genetic testing is adequately answered in LB 432, which is on Final, as has been pointed out. If Senator Chambers would look on page 4, lines 12 through 15, he will find a definition of it, and that definition is extended through line 18, the entire paragraph, through line 26, more than adequately defines what is and is not genetic testing. But genetic testing does not have any purpose in a bill of this type. This is just junking it up, one more ornament on Senator Chambers' Christmas tree. And I would point out that Senator Chambers is normally in opposition to this practice. I would urge all of you to vote against the Chambers amendment. The balance of my time to the Chair.